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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE****IN RE APPLICATION OF****EXAMINER:****QIU ET AL.****Jennifer Kolb Michener****APPLICATION NO: 09/911,218****Art Unit: 1762****FILED: July 23, 2001****FOR: PROCESS FOR SURFACE MODIFYING SUBSTRATES AND MODIFYING  
SUBSTRATE RESULTING THEREFROM**

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**Responses to office action**

Dear Sir:

The Office Action dated June 13, 2003 from Examiner Jennifer Kolb Michener of Art Unit 1762 has been received and reviewed. The following is in response thereto.